

## Merry-Making.

'Art exposition—a cockney telling 's love to the lady 'e hadores.

During the autumn gales the volume of nature is full of fly-leaves.

Catching flies is much the simplest and safest way of flying.

"What ails your eye, Joe?" "I told a man he lied," replied Joe.

"Don't touch me, or I'll scream!" as the engine whistle said to the stoker.

Women live for each other—that is, for the love of criticism of each other.

The boy who lost his balance on the roof, found it on the ground shortly afterward.

When is a flock of sheep like our climate? When it is composed of all wethers.

The most impudent of all things is a mirror, for it is continually casting reflections.

"Very good, but rather too pointed," as the fish said when it swallowed the bait.

Don't locate yourself on the back of a wild horse, unless you want to be dislocated.

Topers who travel about with red noses should be indicted for circulating incendiary articles.

Most persons have a mortal antipathy to a snake, and yet he is said to be a very charming animal.

Why is an invalid cured by sea-bathing like a confined criminal? Because he is sea-cured (secured).

"It is very curious," says a young lady whom we know, "that a tortoise from whom we get all our shell combs, has no hair."

Throw a piece of meat among bears and a purse of gold among men, and which will behave most outrageously, the men or the beasts?

The hardest thing to hold in this world is an unruly tongue. It beats a hot smoothing iron and a kicking horse considerably.

"It is a curious fact," say some entomologists, "that it is only the female mosquito that torments us." A bachelor friend says it is not at all "curious."

Conundrum by a provincial: Why is the summit of Mount Washington like goods sold at a great discount from cost? Because it is not nigh the valley of it.

A bankrupt was consoled with the other day for his embarrassment. "O, I'm not embarrassed at all," said he; "it's my creditors that are embarrassed."

A French princess being told that the poor in Paris were dying of starvation, said, "What silly people! Before I'd starve, I'd eat brown bread and mutton."

"Is anybody waiting on you?" said a polite drygoods clerk to a girl from the country. "Yes, sir," said the blushing damsel, "that's my feller outside. He wouldn't come in."

What a compliment to his countrymen Carlyle paid when he said, "Great Britain is inhabited by thirty millions of people, mostly fools." Carlyle, we suppose, knew.

If our clothes are not well cut, we are very apt to be cut ourselves.

Why is ice in a thaw like philanthropy? Because it gives in all directions.

Why is anything that is unsuitable like a dumb person? Because it wont answer.

A breeder of fowls says one of his cochins, when eating corn, takes one peck at a time.

In returning thanks, in an after-dinner speech, Brown declared that he was "too full for utterance."

A chemist, however witless away from his business, is, when at it, never without his retort.

Water isn't a fashionable beverage for drinking your friend's health; but it's a capital one for drinking your own.

Model wives formerly took a "stitch in time;" now, with the aid of sewing-machines, they take one in no time.

If you want to be a "Knight of the Golden Circle," get the girl you love to give you a ring, remarks the Louisville Journal.

Doctor Charles Wilson has written a volume of some hundred pages to explain the pathology of drunkenness. Diogenes explains it in two syllables—zigzag.

Punch thinks they had better have stuck to the name of "Leviathan" for the Great Eastern, for it seems that the shareholders are doomed to blubber.

"Marriage," said an unfortunate husband, "is the churchyard of love." "And you men," replied the not less unhappy wife, "are the grave-diggers."

A lazy fellow begged alms, saying he could not find bread for his family. "Nor I," replied an industrious mechanic; "I am obliged to work for it."

A gardener is described as being requested to set his master's watch by his sun-dial, when he forthwith "planted" it in the ground close to it.

"Who is that young gentleman who looked at you so earnestly?" said a fond husband to his recently married wife. "That is my late husband, dear," answered she.

"Hast thou ever loved, Henrietta?" I sighed. "I should rather imagine I had," she replied. "O, did not my glances my feelings betray, when you helped me to pudding the third time to-day?"

Why is a fine woman like a locomotive? Because she draws a train after her, scatters the sparks, transports the mails (males), and makes us forget time and space.

"Have you dined?" said a loungee to his friend. "I have, upon my honor," replied he. "Then," rejoined the first, "if you have dined upon your honor, I fear you have made but a scanty meal."

A good story is told of a lady lately travelling on the cars, who got so absorbed in reading the war news, that she asked the conductor to let her know when the train stopped at Manassas Junction.

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Who invented matches? Adam and Eve.

The fellow who took offence has not yet returned it.

The woman who neglects her husband's shirt front, is not the wife of his bosom.

If you would be employed in serious business, don't set up for a buffoon.

Soldier's pity for the wounded on the battlefield—"Over the left" ones.

What tribe of Indians could obtain a loan with the most ease? Pawn-ees.

We are told to weigh our thoughts; most men and women would need a very small pair of scales.

We may say of a good many people's souls that it is a wonder Nature ever thought them worth framing.

If you want to live long, live upon the seashore. No matter how fast your sands run, you will always find a plenty more.

Men dying make their wills—why cannot wives? Because wives have their wills during their lives.

To a lover, his sweetheart's right hand and cheek and eye and ear are equalled by nothing on earth but her left.

What is the difference between a milkmaid and a swallow? One skims the milk and the other the water.

There is no truth in the bold assertion by Vanity Fair, that a deaf man was recently cured by the judicious use of dumb-bells.

An editor says when he was in prison for libelling a justice of the peace, he was requested by the jailer "to give the prison a puff."

"I know well enough," said a fellow, "where fresh fish comes from, but where these salt ones are caught, I'll be hanged if I can tell."

A gentleman lately heard a laborer gravely inform two comrades that a 74 pounder is a cannon that sends a pound ball exactly seventy-four miles.

A disconsolate lover, who was discarded, consoles himself with the reflection that his loved one is married to a lawyer, has two children, and the fever.

Punch's Almanac advises the farmers to sow their Ps, keep their Us warm, hive their Bs, shoot their Js, feed their Ns, look after their potatoes' Is, and then take their Es.

"Mr. D—, if you will get my coat done by next Sunday, I shall be forever indebted to you." "It won't be done," said the tailor, "upon such terms."

In one of the Portsmouth public schools, a boy who was reading the morning lesson from the New Testament, rendered one verse thus: "This is the hair comb; let us kill him." It should have been, "This is the heir; come," etc.

A balmy fellow bragging that he could carry a barrel of pork without difficulty was suddenly put to his trumps when told that he was frequently seen staggering under a load of less than 175 pounds of corned meat.

To keep warm in a cold day, women double the *cape*, and men double the *horn*.

Don't locate yourself on the back of a wild horse, unless you want to be *dis-located*.

When does a farmer act with great rudeness toward his corn? When he pulls its ears.

If you are conscious of being green, and don't want folks to see it, try to be an invisible green.

There is a current belief that a wolf is never more dangerous than when he feels sheepish.

The soldier's great risk is that of becoming extinguished before he can become distinguished.

The size of a whale is always known by the strength of its blows.

The end of good government, says Sydney Smith, is good mutton and good beef.

"I will take a bite, too," as the wolf said, when he came across a man eating his dinner in the woods.

Some one says that the municipal arrangements are so strict in the Arctic regions, that Dr. Kane was kept from going further by the North Pole-ice!

What a suspicious monster the man must have been who first invented a lock; but what a trusting creature the woman who first allowed a latch-key.

A correspondent of the Lewiston Falls Journal says, "I paid a short but very pleasant visit to a neighbor's cow yesterday." Wonder if he stopped to tea, and took cream?

Said a person to an inveterate smoker, with a pale, haggard countenance, "You look as if you had come out of your grave to light your cigar, and couldn't find your way back again."

"Steward, where's my berth?" said a man, recently, on board one of the Cunard steamers. "I begin to feel as if I should very soon need a little weak brandy, or a good deal of tin basin." We believe he used both.

For organizing an army, feeding, clothing and equipping it, and going into war business in general, the American people stand a loan.

"They pass best over the world," said Queen Elizabeth, "who trip over it quickly; for it is but a bog—if we stop we sink."

An Irish stationer, after advertising a variety of articles, gives the following *nota bene*: "To regular customers I sell wafers gratis."

"I have one request to make of you, my dear Mr. Grant."—"My dear widow, I will grant anything you say."—"Well, sir, I want to be Granted myself."

Jinkits is a man who takes matters humorously. When his best friend was blown into the air by a "bustin' biler," Jinkits cried after him, "There you go, my es-tramed friend!"

A young lady of California recently broke her neck while resisting an attempt of a young man to kiss her. This furnishes a fearful warning to young ladies.

There are a number of heavy guns now in the fortifications on Arlington Heights, and at the risk of being thought traitorous, we must say that we wish the rebels would take the whole charge of them.



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The brigade that ought to reap glory—Sickles's Brigade.

The only blusterer from whom a brave man will take a blow is the wind.

Bullets can sing and whistle, but they are not pleasant musicians.

An arch young lady should be an archer, for she can bend her beau as she pleases.

We had better be out of the world than have everybody wishing us out of it.

When people are crazy to marry they attach no consequence to consequences.

This is a fast generation, but our ancestors certainly got ahead of us in the world.

Court jesters are not the only wits that make fools of themselves.

The weak may generally be joked out of anything but their weakness.

When a woman wishes to be very affectionate to her lover she calls him a "naughty man."

If the doctor orders bark, has not the patient a perfect right to growl?

"Don't cry, little boy. Did he hit you on purpose?" "No, sir, he hit me on the head."

Even if your heart is in a cause, it doesn't follow that you should "put your foot in it."

"A man can't help what is done behind his back," as the scamp said when he was kicked out of doors.

A thrifty wife wonders why the men can't manage to do something useful. Mightn't they as well amuse themselves in smoking hams as smoking cigars?

They have got a new military company down east. They drill six times a week, and have now got so they can form a straight line—by leaning against a fence.

Does a man occupy anything like the position of a pack-horse, when employed in carrying out his own views, with other people's suggestions and improvements?

A little boy asked the razor-strop man if he could sharpen his appetite. The razor-strop man at once stropped him so severely that the urchin cut off like winking.

Swift said that the reason a certain university was a learned place, was, that most persons took some learning there, and few brought any away with them, so it accumulated.

It is a common saying of moralists that the lower order of animals have not the vices of man, yet it is certain that some of the insects are back-biters, and all of the quadrupeds tale-bearers.

Every one has observed the remarkable slenderness of leg in the Frenchman generally. It can only be accounted for, we think, by his disposition to fly to arms on the most trivial provocation.

A benevolent man, who proves his wish to save time by throwing it away on foolish calculations, has discovered that in forty years a snuff-taker devotes twenty-four months to blowing his nose!

Mrs. Partington says one is obliged to walk very circumspectiously these slippery times.

The young lady who was "driven to distraction" is now afraid she will have to walk back.

Horses sometimes run for cups, but not half so often as men do.

A poor fellow who pawned his watch says he raised money with a lever.

An advertisement in a provincial paper begins thus: "To let forever, or longer, if required."

A schoolmaster in Ohio advertises that he will keep a Sunday school twice a week—Tuesdays and Saturdays.

Our most distinguished critics admit that General McClellan is the greatest reviewer the country ever produced.

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A correspondent ~~wants~~ to know whether, considering the great utility of the ocean, poets are not wrong to call it "a waste of water?"

A poor fellow sometimes lives only for his wife, when she would much rather he would die for her.

Why is a vain young lady like a confirmed drunkard? Because neither of them is satisfied with a moderate use of the glass.

"What plan," said one actor to another, "shall I adopt to fill the house at my benefit?" "Invite your creditors," was the tart reply.

When a girl has too many boys about her, the indication is like that of bouys off a harbor—shallowness.

It is not known what season of the year our first parents were placed in Eden, but they went out in "the fall."

The man who undertook to blast his neighbor's prospects, used too short a fuse, and got blown up himself.

*Curiosities wanted.*—1. A handle for a blade of grass. 2. A letter written with a cow pen. 3. A feather from the wing of a hospital.

A young man named Neck, has recently been married to Miss Heels. They are now, therefore, literally tied Neck and Heels together.

"Who's afraid?" said a young man to himself, in order to screw his courage to the sticking place. "Why you are," said the object of his affection, "or you would have taken courage six months ago."

According to the old mythology, Neptune, the sea-god, created the horse, and was the patron of horse-races. This probably accounts for the fact that people who patronize the race-course so frequently get "half seas over."

That was a triumphant appeal of an Irishman who was a lover of antiquity, who, in arguing the superiority of old architecture over the new, said, "Where will you find any modern building that has lasted so long as the ancient?"

A Frenchman has been arrested in London for exploding an egg shell full of gunpowder in his mouth, in the streets, at two o'clock in the morning. He is to be prosecuted for self-murder.

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Why is Asia like a market shed in Christmas week? Because there is Turkey in it.

If a lady yawns half a dozen times in succession, young man, you may get your hat.

It has been ascertained that the man who "held on to the last," was a shoemaker.

"Wood is the thing, after all," as the man with a wooden leg said, when the mad dog bit it.

Why is the world like a piano? 'Cause it is full of sharps and flats.

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Why is a tradesman who keeps enlarging his stock, like a venomous reptile? Because he is an adder.

"I'm particularly uneasy on this point," as the fly said when the boy stuck him on the end of a needle.

Isn't it singular that an ill-natured shopkeeper should ever offer to sell his good will, when all the world knows he hasn't any?

A woodsawyer who had mislaid his tool, asked a boy if he had seen his saw. "I saw no saw, sir," replied the urchin.

We always think of a very mean man that he was made by one of nature's cobblers, and like an unfinished boot, thrown off without being souled.

The man who "took a walk" the other day, brought it back again; but the next day he took a ride, and has not since been heard of.

A person invited an acquaintance to dinner on the twenty-ninth of September, saying he always had a goose at dinner on Michaelmas-day.

"Would you be popular?" says Voltaire, in one of his essays, "startle your public—whether for good or evil matters not, but be startling at any price."

A brother editor tells us that when he was in prison for libelling a justice of the peace, he was requested by the jailor to give the prison a puff.

A retired schoolmaster excuses his passion for angling by saying that, from constant habit, he never feels quite himself unless he's handling the rod.

A Hottentot got up a painting of heaven. It was inclosed with a fence made of sausages, while the counter was occupied with a fountain that sent forth pot-pie.

A wag once remarked with a very grave countenance, that, however prudent and virtuous young widows might be, he had seen many a widow-err."

Some bachelors go to war because they like fighting; and some married men go because they like peace.

The San Francisco Mirror, speaking of Dr. Windship, suggests that France and England should employ him to lift the blockade.

It is strange, but every woman's husband is the very worst that ever lived, until he is attacked, and then, "dear fellow," he is the very best!

What bar is that which often opens, but never shuts? Crowbar.

"I'm transported to see you," as the thief said to the kangaroos.

"Father," said a little boy in a theatre, "aint that a handbox where the musicians are?"

Some one says "the lobster is a posthumous work of creation, for it is only red after its death."

Wanted, for the ornithological department of our museum, immediately, the beak and claws of a toma-hawk.

The youth who cut open the bellows to see where the wind came from, is now trying his hand at fattening greyhounds.

The Persians have a saying, that "Ten measures of talk were sent down upon the earth, and the women took nine."

A contemporary has been studying phonotypy. Here is a specimen—"Wat kant be qrd must b ndurd."

What is a "club?" It is a weapon of defence carried by male gorillas to keep away the white women.

Said a seedy fellow to a rich friend, "If ever you have a dispute with any one, about money, just leave it to me."

A receipt is going the rounds of the press for tanning hides with salt and alum; but our schoolmaster taught us years ago that the oil of birch was better.

In these days, when sacks are fashionable female dresses, a gentleman may be thankful to the lady who gives him the sack—and its contents.

There is a man living somewhere so alarmingly bright that he uses the palm of his hand for a looking glass. It is said anybody can see through him.

What is the Latin dialogue that usually occurs between a shoemaker and a pair of old boots? Shoemaker says, "*Bute Imendu*," to which boots reply, "*Solus*."

We hate an author who is dealing eternally in hyperbole. If such an one were a Jupiter, he would never fan a lady's cheek except with a hurricane, or kindle a fire except with a thunder-bolt.

A man when asked what induced him to make a barrister of his son, replied, "O, he was a lying little fellow, and I thought I'd humor his leading propensity."

From the vigorous manner in which those present at a political meeting usually stamp their feet when a speaker exhorts them to do their duty, we presume they understand him to mean the "stamp duty."

A great fuss has been made about "Dollar Jewelry," but if you want to make a really cheap present to your sweetheart, give her a dime and pin. In whispering this joke to a friend, care must be taken to hold his hair on.

"The ugliest trades," said Jerrold, "have their moments of pleasure. Now, if I were a grave digger or a hangman, there are some people I could work for with a great deal of enjoyment."



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Who is the shortest man mentioned in the Bible? Knee-high-miah.

What kin is that child to its own father, who is not its father's own son? His daughter.

"I'll take the responsibility," as Jenks said when he held out his arms for the baby.

When wool falls in price, it is supposed that the reduction takes place from sheer necessity.

Why are all artificial flies like horseshies? Because you find them sticking to a barb.

Favor your horse with a curry as often as possible, but never curry favors with a man.

It is said that the wheel of fortune revolves for all; but many of us are broken on the wheel.

Why is a schoolmaster like an engine driver? One trains the mind, the other minds the train.

Quiz says that John Smith has caught the measles, but that no cause is assigned for this rash act.

"What blessings children are!" as the parish clerk said, when he took the fees for christening them.

Somebody defines character as "the only personal property which everybody looks after for you."

What kind of grain is frequently taken as security for hundreds of dollars? An oat (a note).

Tears at a wedding are only the commencement of the pickle that the young folks are getting into.

Soft soap in some shape pleases all; and generally speaking, the more lye you put into it the better.

"It is very curious," said an old gentleman to his friend, "that a watch should be perfectly dry when it has a running spring inside."

It is generally believed that Cowper was a freemason, as he wished to erect "a lodge in some vast wilderness."

An Irishman, writing a sketch of his life, says he early ran away from his father because he discovered he was only his uncle.

"Sal," said lisping Bill Smut, "if you yon't love me, thay tho; and ifth you love me, and yon't yike to thay the, squeethe my hanth."

Seeing a military officer drunk and reeling in the streets, Quiz thinks, indicates that there is something wrong at head quarters.

You can easily keep yourself throughout the winter from freezing, by getting continually into hot water with your neighbors.

All fruit trees have military propensities. When young they are well trained; they produce many kernels, and their shoots are very straight.

Among the conditions of sale by an Irish auctioneer was the following: "The highest bidder to be the purchaser, unless some gentleman bids more."

"Well, John," said a doctor to a lad, whose mother he had been attending during her illness, "how is your mother?" "She's dead, I thank you, sir."

We are never satisfied that a lady understands a kiss unless we have it from her own mouth.

When is a wall like a fish? When it is scaled.

Why is a tale-bearer like a bricklayer? Because he raises stories.

Why is the letter U the gayest in the alphabet? Because it is always in fun.

If England should be drawn into the present war, she will not find herself in a condition to take a "Nap."

It may sound like a paradox, yet the breaking of both of an army's wings is a pretty sure way to make it fly.

It is said that the horns of a dilemma are securely fixed at the capital, for the senators to hang themselves on.

Why is a stove an agreeable affair in summer as well as winter? Because at either season it is always grateful when coaled.

Spiggles says that his appetite for coffee is always appeased by one cupful of that beverage as it is served up at his boarding-house.

At an infant school examination, a few days ago, the examiner asked, "What fish eat the little ones?" "The big 'uns," shouted a little archin.

It was announced in Paris that the Marquis de Crequi had poisoned himself. "You see," said one of his friends, "he must have bitten his own tongue."

A Wheeling paper makes the following mysterious announcement, "There were nineteen feet in the channel last night." The odd one probably belonged to a cripple.

Men only purchase such things as they want; but women frequently purchase things they do not want, and apparently for no other purpose than the mere pleasure of purchasing.

"Will you take some grapes, monsieur?" asked a gentleman of a Frenchman. "No, sare," he replied, "I don't swallow my wine in se shape of pills."

A Yankee, on going with a friend to dine at the house of an acquaintance, in order to save time, said, "Scrape for me, while I knock for both of us."

Young Giles, who is just beginning to learn French, wants to know how it is, if they have no w in that language, that "them chaps spell wagon?"

Woman—the morning star of our youth; the day star of our manhood; the evening star of our age. Heaven bless our stars!

"Pat, you are wearing your stockings wrong side outward." "Och, and don't I know it, to be sure? There's a hole on the other side, there is."

A person asked Chapman if the tolling of a bell did not put him in mind of his latter end. He replied, "No, sir; but the rope puts me in mind of yours."

"I have one request to make of you my dear Mr. Grant." "My dear widow, I will grant anything you say." "Well, sir, I want to be Granted myself."

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Prentice says there is no braver soul on earth than the soul of our Foote.

A city belle is like a steamboat—she has always a swell after her.

Can a watch, fitted with a second hand, be called a second-hand watch?

Are the minutes relating to an affair of honor always drawn up by the seconds?

What is joy? To count your money and find it overrun a hundred dollars.

The man who would try to stab a ghost would stick at nothing.

"I tell you, love, I have got the plan all in my head." "Ah, then it is all in a nutshell."

Woman has found her true "sphere" at last; it is about twenty-seven feet round, made of hoops.

"How *vane* are all things here below," as the swallow said, when he was perched upon the weather-cock.

The man who "kept his word" gave serious offence to Webster, who wanted it for his dictionary.

Some of the young ladies say that the times are so hard that the young men cannot pay their addresses.

They have come to soling shoes with cedar shingles—veneering wood with a piece of poor sheepskin.

The old lady who mended her husband's trousers with a patch of grass, is now smoothing her hair with the comb of a rooster.

A strange dog is the hardest thing in the world to get acquainted with—worse even than an Englishman.

A popular writer, speaking of the ocean telegraph, wonders whether the news transmitted through the salt water will be fresh.

An Edinburgh paper states that an American has invented a machine which is to be driven by the force of circumstances.

Sum for the boys. If a newspaper editor "stops the press to announce," what would he do if it was a pound?

"How odd it is," said Pat, as he trudged along on foot one hot sultry day, "that a man never meets a team going the same way he is."

The sensitive actor, who couldn't stay in the same room with a tea urn, on account of its hissing, has just been killed by a burst of applause.

The man who was lately "struck with a new thought," has concluded to overlook the act, it being the first time, and there is little danger of a repetition of the offence.

"Pappy, I know what makes some folks call pistols, horse pistols." "Why, my son?" "Because they kick so." "Mary, put that boy to bed, he is so sharp he will cut somebody."

A French writer mentions, as a proof of Shakespeare's attention to particulars, his allusion to the climate of Scotland in the words, "Hail, hail, all hail!—grele, grele, tout, grele!"

Why is an infant like a diamond? Because it is a dear little thing.

It does not look well to hear a young man advocating the prize-ring.

Care is considered a very bad thing; and yet we are told all the time to take care!

An inebriated man can weigh nothing correctly; he is always losing his balance.

There is a man out West who is so aristocratic that he has cut his own acquaintance.

Tennyson says that every sea is full of life. He should have excepted the Dead Sea.

The man who ate his dinner with the fork of a river has been attempting to spin a mountain top.

Why is a lover popping the question like a tailor running a hot iron over a suit of clothes? Because he is pressing a suit.

A down-cast editor advises his readers, if they wish to get teeth inserted, to go and steal fruit where a watchdog is on his guard.

Accounts from Rome announce that a new tax has been decreed on all horses and mules. None is yet announced on "bulls."

The pugilist who bets a penny on the result of his encounter, is "in for a penny, in for a pound."

One's sweetheart is always the flower of humanity; one's wife sometimes the flour of sulphur.

It makes a material difference to a lamb whether he is gathered into the fold by a shepherd or a snake.

"There is a divinity that shapes our ends," as the doughnuts remarked, when the girl was making them.

What is idleness? Working yaller mountains on a pink sub soil—or a blue-tailed dog in sky-colored convulsions.

How to find the cab fare to any part of London—Ask the cabman how much he wants, and give him half the amount.

An architect proposes to build a Bachelor's Hall, which will differ from most houses in having no Eves.

An Irish journal says: "The following bill was presented by a farrier to a gentleman in this town, 'To curing your pony that died, £1 1s.'"

A western paper asks, "Why do officers usually wear their swords in the street, while tailors never their shears, nor bricklayers their trowels?"

Naturalists tell us that "wild boars" are become extinct in the land. What a capital thing if "tame bores" were to follow the example.

"Are you Mr. Bigg?" "Who? Bigg, that vulgar fellow? No, thank goodness, I'm Mr. Little." "Ah, I see; you are too little to be Bigg."

A bachelor the other morning remarked that wives who use the needle are like the enemy spoken of in the parable—they sow tares while the husbandmen sleep.

"Bill," said one apprentice to another, "my boss is a better man to work for than your old man. My boss aint always round his shop interfering with his own business."



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When the government is afflicted, the political doctors generally apply *leeches* to its *chest*.

It is well for a man to get the start in a race, but bad for a ship's plank to start in a storm.

A ducking in cold water destroys the temper of hot steel, but increases that of a fiery woman.

Why is France like a skeleton? Because only a bony part (Bonaparte) is left.

Why is a woodman like a stage actor? He is known by his axe (acts).

Why is the best baker the most in want of bread? Because he needs (kneads) it most.

"That's my business!" as the butcher said to the dog that was killing his sheep.

Why is a dull and plausible man like an un-rifled gun? Because he is a smooth bore.

The lady who took everybody's eye, must have quite a lot of 'em.

Why is a woman in love like a man of profound knowledge? Because she understands the *arts* and *sighences*.

How is it that Methusaleh was the oldest man when he died before his father? His father was translated.

Short-nosed men shouldn't complain if everybody snubs them, since nature herself set the example.

A lady, in advertising for a servant girl in a late London paper, says, "Hoops are objected to, and so is a want of cleanliness."

Some women take such delight in scolding that it would be cruel not to give them occasion for it.

The difference between a goose's back and a soldier's is, that one sheds water and the other blood.

It is impossible to look at the sleepers in a church without being reminded that Sunday is a day of rest.

What a strange thing is custom! Throw one glove at a man, you insult him. Throw two, you make him a present.

The world should have the docket called, and sluggards all defaulted, and those should be the "upper ten" whom labor had exalted.

The lawyer would be better off, his conscience far less pliant, who owned a little farm in fee, and made that farm his client.

The Bath Times speaks of men who "worship the rising sin." True enough, prosperous sin always finds worshippers.

"Katy, have you laid the table cloth and plates, yet?" "An' sure I have, mem—everything but the eggs; an' isn't that Biddy's work, surely?"

"Why, I thought you were ill," said one friend to another, meeting in a porter-house. "Well, don't you see I'm *ale-ing*!" was the reply, with a bitter smile.

A Galway jury, at the conclusion of an inquest on a blind man who had committed suicide, returned a verdict of "Deliberately done away with."

The man who was in ship-shape must have seemed a little out of proportion.

When is the weather most like a crockery shop? When it is muggy!

The hen never jokes when she lays her egg. She is always in her nest (in earnest).

Why is a minister like a locomotive? We have to look out for him when the bell rings.

The Cleveland Plaindealer proposes to get Cuba by swapping New England for her.

Why is the star-spangled banner like the Atlantic ocean? Because it will never cease to wave.

Many a man who is proud to be quartermaster, has a wife at home who is whole-master.

A girl recently stole a pair of gloves, giving as a reason that she only wished to keep her hand in.

A young bricklayer just escaped from his apprenticeship, is put down by the New York Picayune as a Free Mason.

Mrs. Partington wants to know what sort of drums conun drums are? She thinks some are hard to beat.

Whom did Robinson Crusoe meet on being cast on the desert island? A great swell on the shore, and a little cove running inland.

Conservatives—timid old gentlemen who see "danger to the Constitution" in the fluctuations of the egg market.

The old lady who mended her husband's trousers with a patch of grass, is now smoothing her hair with the comb of a rooster.

Dean Swift, on being asked what he thought the easiest and yet most difficult thing a man could do, replied, "To bolt a door."

"I am afraid, sir, you are in a settled melancholy." "No, madam, my melancholy wont settle—it has too much grounds."

The fact that a man may have gone to a military muster when he was a boy is hardly a sufficient reason for making him a brigadier general.

Carrying politeness to excess is said to be raising your hat to a young lady in the street, and allowing a couple of dirty collars and a pair of socks to fall out on the sidewalk.

An old gentleman says that he is the last man in the world that would tyrannise over his daughter's affections. So long as she marries the man of his choice, he don't care whom she loves.

A citizen of Hallowell has taken a fancy to the head of a dog that howls in his vicinity, and offers five dollars for a sight of the head, minus the body.

The Hull girls all sing. A friend lately from there, says they sang themselves to sleep at night, and he never heard anything like it since he was benighted in a swamp out West.

"What are wages here?" asked a laborer of a boy. "I don't know, sir." "What does your father get on Saturday night?" "Get!" said the boy, "why he gets as tight as a brick!"

The greatest "strike" we have heard of lately, came off in a ten-pin alley, where a man got a twelve strike by splitting the first pin, and knocking down the remaining pins and the boy.

## Merry-Making.

When are gloves unsaleable? When they are kept on hand.

"Drop me a line!" as the drowning man said to the fellow on deck.

When is a clock guilty of misdemeanor? When it strikes one.

Why does a sailor know there is a man in the moon? Because he has been to sea.

What joint of meat is most appropriate for an empty larder? A fillet (fill it).

The young woman who marries an unworthy man takes her lord's name in vain.

"I tell you, wife, I have got the plan all in my head." "Ah, then it is all in a nutshell."

A barn-door fowl and a lawyer who talks for pay pick up their living with their bills.

When a poor fellow is about to be burned by the savages, his very existence is at stake.

If a man sitting on a chest is shot at, he would prefer, if hit at all, to be hit in his chest.

Why is a spendthrift's purse like a thundercloud? Because it is continually light'ning.

Why is the Union like a crab apple? Because to be worth anything it must be preserved.

A man who is building a house says he doesn't want a dumb waiter in it because it won't answer.

"Sir, you are just like the motion of a dog's tail." "How so?" "Because you are a wag."

A down-east paper wants to know if a man with wooden legs can be considered a foot passenger.

Why are our fingers particularly reliable in case of breakage? Because they are always on hand with nails.

Why are military officers the most unlucky of men? Because they are always in some mess or another.

Even if a woman had as many locks upon her heart as she has upon her head, a cunning rogue would find his way to it.

Money is said to be a drug at the present time; when it is in the form of mint drops we suppose it may be also called confectionery.

"Well, Susy, what do you think of married ladies being happy?" "Why, I think there are more *ain't* that is, than is that *ain't*."

If a man is murdered by his hired men, should the coroner render a verdict of killed by his own hands?

Your poverty will never prove a disgrace to you, unless you hasten to be rich by any illegal proceedings.

A farmer, a lawyer, or a doctor, may be a very respectable individual, but a hotel-keeper is a whole host.

It is no misfortune for a nice young lady to lose her good name if a nice young gentleman gives her a better.

An Irish gentleman, on reading the late accounts of stealing children, observed, with great concern, that if this practice became general, it would put an end to the rising generation.

How many hoops does a good barrel need? No hoops.

Why is a farmer impressed by the letter G? It will convert oats into goats.

Why are worn-out shoes like children without parents? Because they are *left off* us.

"Hard times, and we must make the most of what we have," as the grocer said when he watered his vinegar.

Why is a comet more like a dog than the dog-star? Because the comet has got a tail, and the dog-star hasn't.

A bag to hold money is a purse; but the officer in charge of the provisions on board a man-of-war is a pursuer.

A green grocer having unexpectedly come into property, sends for a tailor to come and measure him for a coat-of-arms.

A respectable gentleman don't like to have a heavy charge levelled against him—especially if it is in a gun.

The soldier who marches up undaunted to the cannon's mouth may cower before the mouth of a scolding woman.

An ark is now being built by a man out West in anticipation of the next flood—of tears shed by his wife when he refuses to take her to the opera. He thinks he can weather the storm.

A Yankee has just invented a suspender that so contracts on your approach to water, that the moment you come to a puddle it lifts you over, and drops you on the opposite side.

It may be a question whether an army is or is not brave, when, on being attacked at its morning meal, it resolves at all hazards to *break fast*.

"Do you know, sir, that when I left home, my neighbors honored me with a musical escort?" "O, I understand, you were drummed out of town."

A lover sees his sweetheart in everything he looks at, just as a man, bitten by a mad dog, sees dogs in his meat, dogs in his drink, dogs all round him.

Children are generally very noisy, but we must except the children of the brain, which do not often make so much noise in the world as their parents desire.

Why is a man who has just carried his carpet bag on shore from a steamboat, like the owner of soil? Because he is possessed of landed property.

The consumption of tea and coffee in London does not appear to have fallen off lately; and as the population of the metropolis have taken *et good deal of chalk o' late*.

A young woman of Martha's Vineyard, who was married to a man on the "sea-girt isle," Nantucket, returned home a short time since, because he wouldn't give her all the butter she wanted.

An old almanac, among other domestic recipes, has one to convert a "calm into a hurricane," which is as follows: "Help a good-looking chambermaid cord a bed, and let your wife catch you at it."



## Merry-Making.

"So far, so good," as the boy said when he had finished the first pot of his mother's jam.

What mechanical apparatus do the fair bathers at Ramsgate resemble? Diving bell(s).

Sheridan, having been asked what wine he liked best, replied, "The wine of other people."

The man who was injured by a burst of applause, is recovering.

If virtue is its own reward, there will be persons who will have little enough.

Why is a haunch of venison like a dandy? Because it's a bit of a buck.

An affecting sight—to see a young man swapping kisses with a pretty girl.

A man may be so mean as to prevent him from venturing upon perfectly safe enterprises.

What quadrupeds are admitted to balls, operas, and dinner parties? White kids.

What is that which makes everybody sick but those who swallow it? Flattery.

Why is Ireland like a bottle of wine? Because it has a Cork in it.

"Caught in her own net," as the man said when he saw one of the fair sex hitched in her crinoline.

A gentleman having a musical sister, being asked what branch she excelled in, declared that the *piano* was her forte.

"I presume you won't charge anything for just remembering me," said a one-legged sailor to a wooden-leg manufacturer.

At a town meeting in Ireland, it was recently voted "that all persons in the town owning dogs shall be muzzled."

Why are pimples on a drunkard's face like the cuts in a witty contemporary? Because they are illustrations of Punch.

The man who read a newspaper to the entire satisfaction of another who was waiting for it, talks of going on to the stage.

"I don't think, husband, that you are very smart." "No, indeed, wife, but everybody knows that I am awfully *skewed*."

Noah is thought to have had on board a supply of "Exterminator," from the fact that for nearly six weeks he did not see any rat.

Why is it impossible for a watch that indicates the smaller divisions of time ever to be new? Because it must always be a second hand one.

Fashionable circles were never so numerous as they are now. Almost every lady that appears in the streets is the centre of one.

Two glances make one bow, two bows one how d'ye do, six how d'ye do's one conversation, four conversations one acquaintance.

These are not only the times of "spirits," but of "Spirits of the Times." There is the "Old Spirit," "Porter's Spirit," and "Wilkes's Spirit."

The Evansville Journal says that a man may lick his wife like thunder in that place for a dollar. We know several men who mean to emigrate there with their wives and a dollar.

Why is a good cook like a woman of fashion? Because she dresses well.

What fish is most valued by a happy wife? Her-ring.

What fruit does a newly-married couple mostly resemble? A green pair.

What part of a fish is like the end of a book? The fin-is.

Why is a thriving tradesman like ice? Because he is solvent.

A snuff-taker's nose, genteelly blown, is a musical snuff-box.

When may a chair be said to dislike you? When it can't bear you.

What living creature has a beard without a chin? An oyster.

Why is a schoolmistress like the letter C? Because she forms lasses into classes.

Why is a well-trained horse like a benevolent man? He stops at the sound of "wo."

There is a man in Louisville so knowing, that the men who don't know their own minds come to him for information on the subject.

"I am thy father's spirit," as the bottle said to the little boy when he found it hidden in the wood-pile, and wondered what it was.

Miss Fantadling says the first time she locked arms with a young man, she felt like Hope leaning on her anchor. Poetic young woman that.

It's very pleasant to take a lady to a theatre, and to find on reaching the door that you have left your purse in your other pocket.

"My bark is wrecked," as the dog remarked, when thrown overboard in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean.

Why is conscience like the strap on the inside of an omnibus? Because it is an inward check to the outward man.

A benevolent old gentleman used to give away wood to the poor by the cord, in order, as he said, to have it re-corded above.

"Father, do folks make clothes out of peas?" "No, foolish boy. Why do you ask that question, Simon?" "Why, I heard a sailor talking about his pea jacket."

We notice scores of poetical effusions directed to friends who are in heaven. Better give poetry of the heart utterance in words and deeds of kindness to friends upon earth.

The young man that supplies West Troy with measles is now making his spring tour. Families supplied by leaving their names at the post office.

Tom Hood said that when a young man, he couldn't wink at a girl, but that she took it for an offer of marriage. The consequence was, that a good many of the girls got Hood-winked.

Why is the life of an editor like the Book of Revelations? Because it is full of "types and shadows, and a mighty voice like the sound of many waters, is ever saying to him—write."

"Don't work so hard, my dear, you haven't much of a constitution." "Constitution, father? I've got a constitution like a horse—I really believe I've got the constitution of the United States."

## Merry-Making.

"I'll take the responsibility," as Jenks said, when he held out his arm for the baby.

Which is the best way to keep a woman's love? Never to return it.

When does a man dye for love? When he turns his red whiskers brown.

The young lady who took the gentleman's fancy has returned it with thanks.

Women are seldom sailors, but they sometimes command smacks.

The greatest organ in the world—the organ of speech in woman; an organ, too, without a stop!

The quickest way to make "eye-water," is to run your nose against a lamp post.

They who "pine" in their youth can never look "spruce" in old age.

Why is a dandy like a venison steak? Because he's a bit of a buck.

The lady who took everybody's eye, must have quite a lot of 'em.

"You can't do that again," said the pig, when the boy cut off his tail.

"The only way to look at a lady's faults," exclaimed a supergallant, "is to shut your eyes."

"Shall I paint your cheeks for you, wife?" "No, husband, you have done it often enough by making me blush for you."

Why is a stove an agreeable affair in summer as well as winter? Because at either season it is always grateful when coaled.

Bald-headed men take a joke more easily, because they are not at the trouble of "getting it through their hair."

"One of our city bakers," says a New Orleans wag, "has invented a new kind of yeast, which makes bread so light that a pound loaf only weighs eight ounces."

"This snow storm the boys regard as a joke," said one to Doctor S., during a late storm. "Yes," replied the doctor, "and it is a joke that any one can see the drift of!"

Bill came running into the house the other day, and asked eagerly, "Where does charity begin?" "At home," we replied, in the words of the proverb. "Not by a good deal," rejoined Bill; "it begins at sea (C)."

The following slanderous paragraph goes unrebuked: "A wag has invented a new telegraph. He proposes to place a line of women fifty steps apart, and commit the news to the first as a secret."

Phelix McCarthy, of the Kerry militia, was generally late on parade. "Ah, Felix," said the sergeant, "you are always last." "Be aisy, Sergeant Sullivan," was his reply, "sure some one must be last."

A general on the point of death, opening his eyes, and seeing a consultation of three physicians, who were standing close by his bedside, faintly exclaimed, "Gentlemen, if you fire by platoons, it's all over with me!" and instantly expired.

What is both food for the body and food for the mind? Bacon.

What joint of meat is most appropriate for an empty larder? A fillet (fill it).

It has been ascertained that the man who "held on to the last" was a shoemaker.

When was beef tea first made in England? When Henry the Eighth dissolved the pope's bull.

"I'm particularly uneasy on this point," as the fly said when the boy stuck him on the end of a needle.

It is no misfortune for a nice young woman to lose her good name if a nice young man gives her a better.

A young girl of the delicate variety fainted the other day when told that gun-barrels were often exhibited without breeches.

Instead of saying things to make people stare and wonder, say what will keep them from staring and wondering hereafter. This is philosophy.

The man who attempted to whistle a bar of soap has injured his voice by trying to sing a stave off a barrel.

The moment friendship becomes a tax, it's singular, at every fresh call it makes, how very few persons it finds at home.

"Revenge is sweet," as the boy said, who had been whipped by a grocer while he was stealing his sugar.

Jeremiah was telling how much he liked calves head for dinner, when the mistress exclaimed, "O, you cannibal!"

The difference between a speech and an essay should be something like that between a field of battle and a parade.

"Bob, did you go to the gold mines?" "Yes." "What did you dig?" "I dug home as soon as possible."

"How do you keep your books?" "By double entry. I make one entry and father makes another."

Daniel says that he thinks that boarders who are obliged to eat sausages three times a day during dog days, are justified in growling at their fare.

"Now, mind you," whispered a servant girl to her neighbor, "I don't say as how missus drinks; but, between you and I, the decanter don't keep full all day."

A public writer thinks that much might be gained if speakers would observe the miller's creed—always to shut the gate when the grist is out.

There is a man living somewhere in Albany so alarmingly bright that he uses the palm of his hand for a looking-glass. It is said anybody can see through him.

"Wont you take half of this poor apple?" said a pretty damsel. "No, I thank you; I would prefer a better half." Eliza blushed, and referred him to her papa.

Is there any truth in the report that the Arabs who live in the desert have sandy hair? And is it also true that those who live by the Red Sea have carrotty hair?



## Merry-Making.

The kiss with which a girl seeks to catch her beau is a fishing-smack.

A lady deserted by one man, has no other remedy than an appeal to twelve.

Falling in love is like falling into a river; 'tis much easier getting in than out.

Women often go to the destruction of their husband's fortunes by buy-ways.

The time when the wind is most destructive to forests is when it is chopping round.

A poor seamstress finds it hard work to thread her way through life's wilderness.

What officer displays the most military tactics? Marshal Array (martial array).

Why is a four quart jug like a lady's side-saddle? Because it holds a gal'oon.

Who was the first post-boy? Cadmus; he carried letters from Phœnicia to Greece.

Matrimony is a game that every young person should take a hand at.

Why is a woman living up two pair of stairs like a goddess? Because she is a second Flora.

Why is the hour between ten and twelve at long odds? Because it is ten to one.

Mrs. Partington says one is obliged to walk very circumspectiously these slippery times.

Why is a trick of legerdemain like declining an offer of marriage? Because it is a sleight-of-hand.

Dickens, in speaking of pawnbrokers' duplicates, says they are the turnpike tickets on the road to poverty.

Soup for the poor: Three parings of potatoes to a hoghead of dish water; if too rich, add a pump handle while boiling.

Why is the circulation of the blood sometimes suspended? Because it attempts to circulate in vein.

A man having been told that the price of bread had been lowered, said, "This is the first time that I ever rejoiced at the fall of my best friend."

Tailors are always remarkable for keeping the peace. They may quarrel over their cloth, but give them an order for a coat, and they will make it up directly.

"The sun is all very well," said an Irishman, "but it is my opinion that the moon is worth two of it, for the moon affords us light in the night time, when we really want it."

"You have been to Canton, haven't you, Dick?" "O, yes." "Well, can you speak China?" "Yes, a little—that is, I speak broken China."

Wealth and widowhood, when united, are dangerous things to encounter. Money may be called the "widow's might," when in large quantities, as in poverty it is her "mite."

If men were compelled to give a reason for everything they profess to believe, one of two things is certain; either reasons would become more abundant than they are at the present day, or doctrines would be fewer.

What living creature has a beard without a chin? An oyster.

The youngest and prettiest girl is no chicken—*if she is a goose.*

If a man doubles Cape Horn, doesn't he make a double cape of it?

It is beauty's privilege to kill time, and time's privilege to kill beauty.

Why are the Germans like quinine and gentian? Because they are two-tonics.

Storms generally are a mystery, but you can always see the *drift* of a snow-storm.

The men who deserve, if they do not find, the greatest favor among women, are husband-men.

"A man can't help what has been done behind his back," as the scamp said when he was kicked out of doors.

The law is a pretty bird, and has charming wings. 'Twould be quite a bird of paradise, if it didn't carry such a terrible bill.

The man who with a hammer smashes the end of his own finger, probably thinks he hasn't hit the right nail on the head.

A Frenchman said of Shakspeare, "Ven you find anyting you no understan', it is always someting fine."

A poor fellow sometimes drives ostentatiously a pair of grays when he is driven by a score of duns.

Why is a man who beats his wife like a thorough-bred animal? Because he's a perfect brute.

Scrutinize a lawyer when he tells you how to avoid litigation, and a doctor when he drinks your health.

An ambitious barber advertises himself as a "Professor of Decoracapillaturation and Depilacrostation."

Make the best of everything. If you have the jaundice, exult that you have a golden prospect before you.

Why are the ends of the French emperor's moustache like good measure? Because they are imperial pints.

Why, in moving from a house, ought you to leave the washhand basins behind? Because they are not ewers.

"You flatter me," said a thin exquisite, the other day, to a young lady who was praising the beauties of his moustache. "For heaven's sake, ma'am," interposed an old skipper, "don't make that monkey any flatter than he is now."

Some of the public meetings are rather turbulent. "The eyes have it," exclaimed a voter in a late assemblage. "The nose has it," replied another, seizing the first by the feature indicated.

The following description is in a deed recorded in Oxford county, Maine: "Thence northerly four rods, thence as crooked as you can go to the north line of the Philips Academy Grant."

A exchange says, "A kiss is worth a thousand kicks in reclaiming those who are inclined to go astray. Try it!" Perhaps the old woman kissed her cow, because she was inclined to go astray.

## Merry-Making.

Poe calls a beautiful woman "a perpetual hymn to the Deity."

Why is iron sometimes like a band of robbers? Because it is united to steel.

Musquitoes are like doctors, they never let blood without running up a bill.

Why ought students in chirography to be commended? Because they do write.

Wanted to purchase, a little of the starch with which they make "stiff winds."

What step must one take to remove the letter A from the alphabet? Behead it (B head it).

Why are there three objections to a glass of spirits? There are three scruples to a dram.

Why is a cruel man like a peach? He has a heart of stone.

The report that Powers's Greek Slave had died of cholera is totally untrue.

Dobbs says tailors would make splendid dragons, they *charge* so.

What did a blind wood-sawyer take to restore his sight? He took his horse, and saw.

Don't eat a fellow up," as the Cape Cod girls say when they are kissed.

What is that which belongs to yourself, yet is used by everybody? Your name.

"Say, Jack, can you tell us what's the best thing to hold two pieces of rope together?" "I guess knot."

Widows have been compared to green wood, which, while it is burning on one side, is weeping on the other.

A dentist in this city advertises that he will "spare no pains" in extracting people's molars. Surprising candor!

Idleness travels very leisurely, and poverty will soon overtake her. What a time they'll have when they get together.

Carriage accidents may be avoided in winter, by keeping the horses' shoes and the driver's bottle well corked.

The following is an Irishman's description of making a cannon: "Take a long hole, and pour brass or iron round it!"

A clergyman asked a sea captain his views about a future state, and was answered that he did not meddle himself with state affairs.

The Providence Journal lately contained some poetry on the death of President Wayland's cow! It has some tender lines.

A lady being asked why she did not use the medicated soap, replied that she got a plenty of soft soap from her beau, and that always put a plenty of color in her cheeks.

Editors, however much they may be biased, are fond of the word impartial. A Connecticut editor once gave an "impartial account of a hail storm."

Frederick the Great was fond of discussion, and used to cap his arguments by kicking the shins of his opponents with his military boots. Would not the same logic—just the same—prove the best to shorten congressional debates?

Why is a dinner like Spring? Because a single *swallow* never makes it.

On a frosty day what two fish ought we to tie together? *Skates* and *soles*.

Why is snuff like the letter S? Because it is the beginning of sneezing.

Why is the law like a book of surgery? Because there are a great many terrible cases in it.

Why is it always proper to take up a penny collection? Because there is some cents (sense) in it.

Why are military officers the most unlucky of men? Because they are always in some *mess* or another.

"That's part of the sinking fund," as a chap said when a box of money went to the bottom of the river.

A highly "Candleized" editor of a western family newspaper heads his marriage notices "Lucifer Matches."

"I presume you wont charge anything for just re-membering me," said a one-legged sailor to a cork-leg manufacturer.

"Johnny, how many seasons are there?"

"Six; spring, summer, autumn, winter, opera seasons, and Thomson's seasons."

Beware how you attempt to butter your bread on both sides, lest it should haply slip through your fingers altogether!

The "Deacon's" last conundrum: Which is the quickest, heat or cold? Heat, because you can catch cold.

Why should a tetotaler refrain from marrying? Because if he got a wife, his principles would not allow him to sup *porter*!

Mrs. Partington is opposed to the *Home Exemption* law, because men, she says, would stay away all night. Bless her old heart!

Why is a hog the most extraordinary animal in creation? Because you first kill him and afterwards cure him.

A New York preparation for the growth of the hair is called the "Kathairon," *Cat-hair-on* is an ominous title, certainly.

Mrs. Partington asks, very indignantly, if the bills before Congress are not counterfeit why there should be such difficulty in passing them?

A late writer says that the skies of Italy are bluer than anything he ever saw, with the exception of Miss Smith's eyes. Miss Smith is the young woman he sits up with.

A lady meeting a girl who had lately left her service, inquired, "Well, Mary, where do you live now?" "Please, ma'am," answered the girl, "I don't live now—I'm married."

"Doesticks," describing a New York boarding house, says you can always tell when they get a new kitchen girl, by the color of the hair in the biscuit.

If you wish to make yourself a favorite with your neighbors, buy a dog and tie him up in the cellar all night. They wont sleep for thinking of you.

Listening to a lady who was pouring out a stream of talk, Jerrold whispered to the person next to him, "She'll be coughing soon, and then we can strike in."